# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# SHIPPING
# LOK SABHA

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PERFORMANCE OF PORTS
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**Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has reviewed the performance of the major ports in the country;

(b) if so, the port-wise details thereof during 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2003-04 till date; and

(c) the details of the steps taken to improve the efficiency of the ports?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI DILIPKUMAR MANSUKHLAL GANDHI)

(a)& (b): The performance review of major ports in the country is a continuous process. The port-wise cargo traffic handled during the last two years and current financial year (upto November, 2003) are given below:-

(In Million tonnes)

| Name of the Port | 2001-02 | 2002-03 | 2003-04 (April to November) |
|---|---|---|---|
| Kolkata | 30.40 | 35.80 | 25.38 |
| Paradip | 21.13 | 23.90 | 16.21 |
| Visakhapatnam | 44.34 | 46.01 | 30.98 |
| Ennore | 3.40 | 8.49 | 6.21 |
| Chennai | 36.12 | 33.69 | 23.49 |
| Tuticorin | 13.02 | 13.29 | 9.12 |
| Cochin | 12.06 | 13.00 | 8.95 |
| New Mangalore | 17.50 | 21.43 | 15.88 |
| Mormugao | 22.93 | 23.65 | 14.68 |
| Jawaharlal Nehru | 22.52 | 26.84 | 20.25 |
| Mumbai | 26.43 | 26.80 | 20.10 |
| Kandla | 37.73 | 40.63 | 26.86 |
| Total: | 287.58 | 313.53 | 218.11 |

(c): Improvement in efficiency in Major Ports is an ongoing process. To increase efficiency of major ports, the following major steps have been taken from time to time in relation to major ports :-

(i) Construction and equipping of new berths/terminals;

(ii) Replacement of existing equipment with the state-of-art equipment on existing berths;

(iii) Labour training and improvement in management practices for achieving higher efficiency output;

(iv) Private sector involvement in the development and operation of port facilities to bring out additional investment and modern techniques for greater efficiency;

(v) Computerisation of port working and partial induction of Electronic Data Interchange; and

(vi) Setting up of Vessel Traffic Management System.